

HOUSE BILL 280

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,
Chapter 27, relative to group insurance for public
officers and employees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-102, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (d):

(d)

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, a state employee who is enrolled in the group insurance plan for state employees is authorized to transfer to a different authorized insurance plan within such group insurance plan no more than once a year during a non-enrollment period for a medically necessary procedure for the enrollee or a dependent of the enrollee, if such procedure is not authorized by the insurance plan that provides coverage to the employee but such procedure is available from another authorized insurance plan participating in the group insurance plan for state employees.

(2) The employee shall provide written information to the state insurance committee that the medically necessary procedure is not offered by the insurance plan that provides coverage to the employee, that the procedure is medically necessary, and that such coverage is available from another participating insurance plan in the group insurance plan for state employees.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.